Mountain Weather Forecast

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Saturday 11 Sep 2021 until 23:59 on Sunday 12 Sep 2021

Forecast Issued on Saturday 11 Sep 2021 at 03:18 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High confidence for generally poor visibility conditions for the mountain ranges with mist and drizzle likely, lower confidence for any cloud breaks on Saturday. Improving conditions on Sunday and Monday.

Headline for Saturday 11 Sep 2021: Extensive low cloud, mist and rain at times.

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 11 Sep 2021

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy Snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms
Low Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Fog	Fog	Cloudy	Light rain	Heavy rain showers	Cloudy
Precipitation probability					
20%	20%	30%	30%	30%	20%

Forecast for Saturday 11 Sep 2021

Weather: Cloudy with some rain in the early morning and this will continue for much of the day with low cloud, mist and patchy rain. Some limited brighter spells for the afternoon across ranges further west around Loch Ossian and Ben Alder, which may bubble up an isolated late afternoon thunderstorm. Cloud lower once again in the evening with mist and drizzle likely.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 10% in the morning, improving a little in the afternoon to 30% especially for southern and western ranges.

Visibility: Generally poor visibility throughout the day with a lot of hill fog expected, especially during the morning. A few brighter spells in the afternoon for the more western ranges however it is unlikely Munro tops will clear entirely of cloud. During the morning cloud bases will be between 3-500m for the northern Cairngorms, perhaps 6-800m west of the A9. Bases will lift a little in the afternoon and cloud will be less extensive but it will still be hard to find clear breaks. Visibility will also be poor or very poor in mist and rain/drizzle.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	19/23 W	18/23 NW	19/24 NW	21/28 NW	23/31 NW	20/27 NW	19/25 NW
900	16/19 SW	13/17 W	14/19 NW	16/21 NW	16/22 NW	14/19 N	13/17 NW
600	11/16 SW	10/13 W	11/16 NW	11/17 NW	11/16 NW	8/13 N	8/12 NW
300	5/14 W	6/12 NW	7/15 NW	8/17 NW	8/17 NW	6/13 N	5/11 NW
Glen	2/12 W	4/13 NW	6/16 NW	6/17 NW	5/17 NW	4/14 NW	3/13 NW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	8/4	7/3	6/2	6/1	5/-1	4/-2	3/-3
900	10/8	10/7	9/6	9/5	8/4	6/2	6/2
600	12/10	12/10	12/10	11/9	10/7	8/6	8/6
300	13/13	14/13	14/13	13/12	12/10	10/9	9/8
Glen	13/13	14/13	15/14	15/13	12/11	11/9	9/8
Freezing Level*	2700m	2600m	2500m	2400m	2300m	2100m	1900m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Light winds early on Saturday but the northwesterly winds will freshen later. Feeling cooler later in the day.

Forecast for Sunday 12 Sep 2021
Weather: A cloudy, dull start but improving conditions throughout the day with cloud lifting and visibility improving in the fresher northwesterly conditions. A few showers are possible but generally a bright afternoon expected.

Maximum wind: Northerly 5-10mph.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 30% increasing to 90% later in the day as low cloud lifts and clears.

Visibility: Cloud bases will be between 6-800m in the early morning with cloud becoming patchy around 800m by the afternoon, many munro tops becoming clear by late afternoon.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 8 rising to 15 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 5 rising to 10 Celsius.
Freezing level: Above the summits.

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